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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 3, 2004, Applicants elect Group III, claims 27-48, without traverse. Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

A listing of claims is set forth on pages 2-12.

Remarks are set forth on pages 13.

If extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 23-1951.